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1. Prior to 1 January 1949, the only coal mines in Slovenia directly supervised by the General Coal Direction (Generalna Direkcija Premoga) of the Federal Ministry of Mining in Belgrade were the mines at Timav, Tribovlje, Zagorje and Hrastnik. The mines at Senovo, Zabukovica, Liboje, Lasko, Pecovnik, St. Janz, Kanizarica, Kocevje, Velenje, Glovoko, Ilirska Bistrica, the china clay mine at Crna, and the barite mine at Plese were under the jurisdiction of the Mining Direction of the Slovene Government in Ljubljana. Contrary to Slovene newspaper accounts reporting that the mines of Slovenia had fulfilled the 1948 production quotas, [redacted] only 73 percent of the quota was actually produced. On 1 January 1949, all mines in Slovenia were placed under the jurisdiction of the Federal Ministry of Mining at Belgrade, and branch offices of the General Coal Direction were established in Ljubljana to replace the Slovene Mining Direction.
2. Until this transfer of authority, the Slovene Mining Direction employed between 60 and 70 persons in its office located in the Tribovlje Coal Company (Triboveljska Premogokopna Druzba) building on Aleksandrova street, Ljubljana, under the supervision of Director General, Engineer VRBIC. [redacted] VRBIC, a man without political affiliations, has been given a clerical job in one of the Ljubljana offices of the General Coal Direction. Since 1 January branch offices of the General Coal Direction of the Federal Mining Ministry have been set up on Sledalska, Parnova, Prečna, and Bezigrad streets in Ljubljana. These offices are under the supervision of Lojze RIBIC, a Communist and veteran Partisan. [redacted]
- [redacted] of the 220 persons employed by these branch offices, approximately 20 percent are actually working. [redacted] most of the key personnel of the General Coal Direction are now assigned to the Ljubljana offices and [redacted] rumors regarding shortages of officials in other republics may indicate that many of these persons will be transferred from Ljubljana at some time in the future.

- 25X1 3. [redacted] from 1 January to 20 January 1949, an average of five to seven workers left each of the Slovene mines while only three to five replacements were hired.

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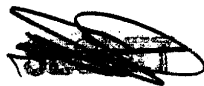
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<u>Location of Coal Mine</u>	<u>Number of Miners Required</u>	<u>Number of Miners actually Working</u>
Timav	63	64
Tribovlje	3,977	3,902
Zagorje	2,545	2,213
Brastnik	1,473	1,197
Genovo	1,199	1,130
Zabukovca	695	665
Ljuboje	235	224
Lasko	483	496
Pecovnik	239	260
St. Janz	330	323
Kanizarica	164	168
Ercevecje	592	516
Valenje	1,440	1,434
Glaboko	33	33
Priska Bistrica	149	134
Gema	126	118
Plese	65	62
Total	13,809	12,939



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